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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
Mire, Philip J.

Serial No. 09/312,150

Filed: May 14, 1999

For: PUBLIC KEY INFRASTRUCTURE  
UTILIZING MASTER KEY ENCRYPTION  
(AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED)

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Examiner: Moorthy, Aravind K.

Group Art Unit: 2131

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In response to the Final Office action dated November 18, 2004, enclosed are the following regarding the above-identified patent application:

1. Amendment and Request for Reconsideration Under 37 CFR §1.116;
2. Return postcard; and
3. Transmittal letter.

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Respectfully submitted,

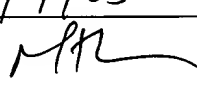


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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 18, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1, 7, 12 and 18-22 are amended, claims 23 and 29 are cancelled and claims 1, 7-12 and 18-22 remain in the application. Re-examination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.